IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended) A process for depositing, at room temperature, a softening lotion on an absorbent paper product, which lotion is a liquid at room temperature and is of the type comprising one or more emollient active substances as a dispersion or as an emulsion in a volatile liquid vehicle, wherein the proportion by weight of the volatile liquid vehicle is at least about 50%, ~~and~~ by directly spraying the lotion on said paper product by means of a stream of ~~gas~~ air under pressure so as to remove at least part of the volatile liquid vehicle in order to form and spray fine droplets of lotion, having a low proportion of volatile liquid vehicle, which are deposited on at least one face of the paper product.

Claim 2 (canceled)

Claim 3 (currently amended) The process according to claim 1, wherein the pressure of the ~~gas~~ air is greater than 2 bar.

Claim 4 (previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the proportion by weight of the volatile liquid vehicle in the solution is at least about 50% to about 80%.

Claim 5 (previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the volatile liquid vehicle is water.

Claim 6 (previously presented) The process according to claim 1, wherein the volatile liquid vehicle is partly extracted during the spraying step.

Claim 7 (currently amended) ~~A paper product, to at least one face of which an emollient lotion has been applied using the~~ The process according to claim 1, wherein

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the amount of lotion applied to the said face is equal to at least 1.5 g/m^2, and wherein the lotion present on the said face can be easily transferred to the skin of a person using the paper product.

Claim 8 (currently amended) A process for depositing, at room temperature, a softening lotion on an absorbent paper product, which lotion is a liquid at room temperature and is of the type comprising one or more emollient active substances as a dispersion or as an emulsion in a volatile liquid vehicle, wherein the proportion by weight of the volatile liquid vehicle is at least about 50%, ~~and~~ by directly spraying the lotion on said paper product by means of a stream of ~~gas~~ air under pressure of at least about 1 bar to about 5 bar so as to remove at least part of the volatile liquid vehicle in order to form and spray fine droplets of lotion, having a low proportion of volatile liquid vehicle, which are deposited on at least one face of the paper product.

Claim 9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (currently amended) The process according to claim 8, wherein the pressure of the ~~gas~~ air is about 2 bar.

Claim 11 (currently amended) The process according to claim 8, wherein the pressure of the ~~gas~~ air is about 3 bar.

Claim 12 (currently amended) The process according to claim 8, wherein the pressure of the ~~gas~~ air is about 4 bar.

Claim 13 (canceled)

Claim 14 (previously presented) The process according to claim 8, wherein the volatile liquid vehicle is water.

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Claim 15 (previously presented) The process according to claim 8, wherein the volatile liquid vehicle is partly extracted during the spraying step.

Claim 16 (currently amended) ~~A paper product, to at least one face of which an emollient lotion has been applied using the~~ The process according to claim 8, wherein the amount of lotion applied to the said face is equal to at least 1.5 g/m^2, and wherein the lotion present on the said face can be easily transferred to the skin of a person using the paper product.

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